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SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Bromm. On with discussion, Senator Chambers, followed by Senator Dierks, and Landis. Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President, members of the Legislature and Senator Bromm, in no way would I intend to suggest that Senator Bromm has not put in a lot of very sincere work on this bill based on his principle, but the fact that he believes in what he's doing does not negative what I'm saying about what the suits out in the hall want. I've been told that there's a bill that I'm going to slaughter. Maybe I shouldn't use that word because it's a bill of my good friend Senator Ray Janssen. And I find out that the Governor's administration is on the same side that I'm on, but does that mean because I'm walking along a mountain trail, there's a sheer cliff on the inside of the trail and a sheer drop of 10,000 feet on the outside of the trail, that simply because the Governor is on the trail too I'm going to jump off the trail so I won't be on the trail with him? Not on your life. So the fact that Senator Bromm happens to find himself on the same trail as the suits...and I never knew that the term "suits" was such a negative term. People are trying to always put me in a suit, so maybe I understand why now. My point is this; that there are people who are in a turf battle. There are profounder issues at stake than have really been discussed at great length on the floor. There has been a certain delicacy of discussion of and debate on this issue. Had I been an active participant I think that the debate would have taken an entirely different turn, at least from the kind of approach I would have utilized, and people, in trying to respond, would have had to do it in a different way from that which they were able to do considering how the debate actually unfolded. But now that we're in the final stages, the terminal stages if you will, of the discussion of this bill, I just want a few things on the record and that's what I'm attempting to do here. I will not waste anybody's time trying to use technical language about this fiber. All it means to me is another way that some people are going to make some money and there are people on two sides of the fence. Those on one side don't like those on the other side, and that's the way issues are often framed around here. Not...I'm not going to say at what point in the discussion because I don't want to identify anybody on the